

# SUPERVISOR, FIRST DISTRICT SAN DIEGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

#### MEDIA ADVISORY

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# Supervisor Greg Cox

In the Coming Week

## Prepare yourself! - Ocean Beach/Point Loma Earthquake Safety Workshop

Is your family prepared for an earthquake? The County Office of Emergency Services is offering a free workshop on earthquake safety for the communities of Ocean Beach and Point Loma. Attendees will receive an earthquake safety kit along with information about disaster preparedness, including the Family Disaster Plan. Red Cross certified safety instructors will lead the workshop.

WHEN: Tuesday, September 12th – 6:30 to 7:30PM

WHERE: The Ocean Beach Masonic Center

1711 Sunset Cliffs Boulevard, San Diego, CA 92107

#### **Groundbreaking for the Otay Regional Park Trail Project**

Supervisor Cox will be participating in a groundbreaking ceremony on Friday, September 15, 2006 for the Otay Valley Regional Park (OVRP) Trail Project. The ceremony will be taking place at the Beyer Boulevard Staging area, future location of restroom facilities, parking, interpretive signage, picnic facilities and the start of one mile of multi-use trails. This is the first segment of a trails system that will be jointly constructed by the County of San Diego and the Cities of San Diego and Chula Vista. Once completed, the proposed park will provide recreational and education activities for all residents in San Diego County and will span 13 miles from the San Diego Bay to the Otay Lakes Reservoir.

WHEN: Friday, September 15<sup>th</sup> – 3:00PM

WHERE: Beyer Boulevard (Parking at the southwest corner of 27<sup>th</sup> Street and

Faivre Avenue) - Chula Vista, CA

### Keep our waters clean! - California Coastal Clean-up Day

Supervisor Cox will be speaking at the Opening Ceremonies for the San Diego Coastal Clean-up day. Understanding the importance of keeping California's coastline clean and beautiful, the Supervisor will be stressing the significant role volunteers have on this task and the impact that organizations such as *San Diego Coastkeeper*, *I Love a Clean San Diego* and the California Coastal Commission have on keeping our beaches clean.

WHEN: Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup> – 9AM

WHERE: Veteran's Park in Ocean Beach (Grassy area near the pier)

#### **Donate today - Hispanic Heritage Blood Drive and Health Fiesta**

Supervisor Cox will be honoring the San Diego Blood Bank on Saturday September 16<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon. Each year, the San Diego Blood Bank must collect more than 120,000 pints of blood in order to maintain an adequate supply for our region. The Latino population of San Diego County has grown to 29%, yet only about 12% of the blood bank's donors are of Latino heritage. More patients will have a second chance at life when more Hispanic people volunteer as potential blood and bone marrow donors. And that is the exact purpose of this Blood Drive and Fiesta – to raise awareness and help increase a blood supply that could save more lives. This hard-working organization is the primary provider blood and marrow supplier for the majority of hospitals in the San Diego region, and it is this reason that the Supervisor will be presenting them with a proclamation in their honor.

WHEN: Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup> – 12 Noon WHERE: The Chula Vista Shopping Center

555 Broadway Chula Vista, CA

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